

their rating; also, on November 10th I received the following letter:

"San Francisco, Nov. 10, 1917.
"Otto Freyermuth, M. D.,
"Phelan Bldg.

"My dear Doctor:

"Your letter came duly to hand and I have placed it before the Board of Trustees, who will act upon it in a few days.

"Very truly yours,

"W. F. SOUTHARD."

I have great respect for Dr. Southard and cannot convince myself that he was instrumental in dictating the letter to you.

I was prompted to resign from the faculty not because of any animus or personalities, but rather as a protest against the appalling inefficiency of the entire institution. I have the interest of the students at heart and certainly hope that some means may be employed whereby the students and the graduates who have been drafted into the army, out of the College, may be permitted to continue their studies.

I am sorry that any personalities have entered into the controversy. I am,

Yours very truly,

OTTO G. FREYERMUTH.

San Francisco, Nov. 15, 1917.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE TO ESCAPE DRAFT.

To the Editor:—I am inclosing you a copy of a certificate which to-day was handed to one of the doctors serving on Exemption Board No. 1, in San Francisco. In view of the fact that this man was passed as being physically qualified for military service, is it possible that we have made a mistake, when so eminent authority as Dr. Erius Remedy Co. have given this man a certificate "at possibly so much per," stating he is suffering from such a serious complaint?

Yours truly,

W. A. CLARK, M. D.

Oakland, Cal., September 19, 1917.

"DR. ERICIUS REMEDY CO.

"New York, June 13, 1917.

"To Whom It May Concern: That Mr. O. E. Olson of 407 Tehama street, San Francisco, Cal., who has been in our care since February 8th this year, suffers from PHLEGMONOUS ENTERITIS, and upon this ground is unable to do military service of any kind, which probably will make his condition worse. is hereby affirmed.

"DR. ERICIUS REMEDY CO.

("Signed) Per E. A. Son.

"Physician in charge Dr. Max Lawrence Polowe,
"319 Sixth street, New York City."

(Note—A copy of this certificate was sent to the secretary of the New York State Board of Medical Examiners, with a request for information about the Dr. Erius Remedy Company. An excerpt from the secretary's reply follows.)

"To the Editor:—This case again emphasizes the need for adequate legislation governing the practice of unethical physicians. Dr. Max L. Polowe, who signs himself as physician in charge of the Dr. Erius Remedy Company, was graduated from the University and Bellevue Hospital Medical College, an excellent institution, in 1903, and passed the medical licensing examination of this State in 1904. He is, therefore, legally entitled to practice until such time as he shall have been convicted of violations of the law of the State. It is only upon such grounds as this that the license of a physician is revoked. As you will see, this leaves the broad question of advertising and ethical behavior on the part of physi-

cians in the control of the various local and county medical societies. It has been the opinion of the officers of the State Medical Society and of the body of men in the State service who administer the laws controlling professional education and practice that the control of the ethical behavior of physicians should be in the hands of the medical profession. It is evident, however, from years of practical trial that such control is imperfect and inadequate, and I believe in the near future legislative action will be taken to reach such physicians as are willing to cast ethical procedure aside and prostitute their profession for financial gain.

"W. J. DENNO, M. D.

"Albany, N. Y., October 15, 1917."

OUR INDICTMENT OF GERMANY.

By THOMAS W. GREGORY,

Attorney-General of the United States.

The German Government began this war by a contemptuous breach of its formally plighted faith made in solemn treaty, and from the beginning until now has more than made good this ominous earnest of its intention and temper. The President has shown us how one by one, as opportunity offered, the safeguards which civilization has been able during the centuries to throw around neutrals and the non-fighting people of warring nations, were ruthlessly torn down; how patient and long-suffering remonstrance and request were met by fair words, and fairer promises made only to be broken.

We all know as but sober fact, plainly stated, that the Imperial Government has allowed no rule of war, no principle of civilization, no consideration of humanity, no teaching of Christianity to stand between it and the working out of its illegal purposes. For half a century that Government has schemed and prepared to dominate the world by "blood and iron." For half a century the officials of the Imperial Government, from the Kaiser down, including even the teachers of their children, have prostituted the minds of their youth until the whole people has been led to a toleration, if not approval, of the hideous outrages and barbarities practiced by that Government in this war. While yet we were neutral, struggling to keep free from the conflict, the representatives of that Government in this country planned to destroy our factories and our railroads, forged our public papers, deceived us when convenient, violated our hospitality and our sovereignty, while they plotted against our territorial integrity; they deliberately and with malice and affronting forewarning drowned our helpless women and babes, and declared a public holiday that their own innocent children might celebrate the murder.

They have bombarded unfortified towns and bombed the unprotected homes of their foes, taking their toll of wounded and dead from the aged and infirm, the young and the helpless. They have made barren desert of the garden spots of the earth; they have needlessly pillaged and wilfully burned towns; they have reduced to slavery men, women and children; they have wrecked and torn asunder families with a system diabolical in its efficiency; they have wantonly defiled and destroyed the temples of God. They have done all of these things that they might strike terror into the hearts of men so as more easily to conquer and rule them.

As the war has gone on, the ultimate aim of the Imperial Government has become more and more clear. Drunk with the sense of its own power and its asserted superiority, it has proposed to secure a dominating position for itself and for its system over the entire world. Nowhere yielding to the people their rightful powers, and